

Development of Micro Wireless Sensor Platforms for Collecting Data of Passenger-Freight Interactions

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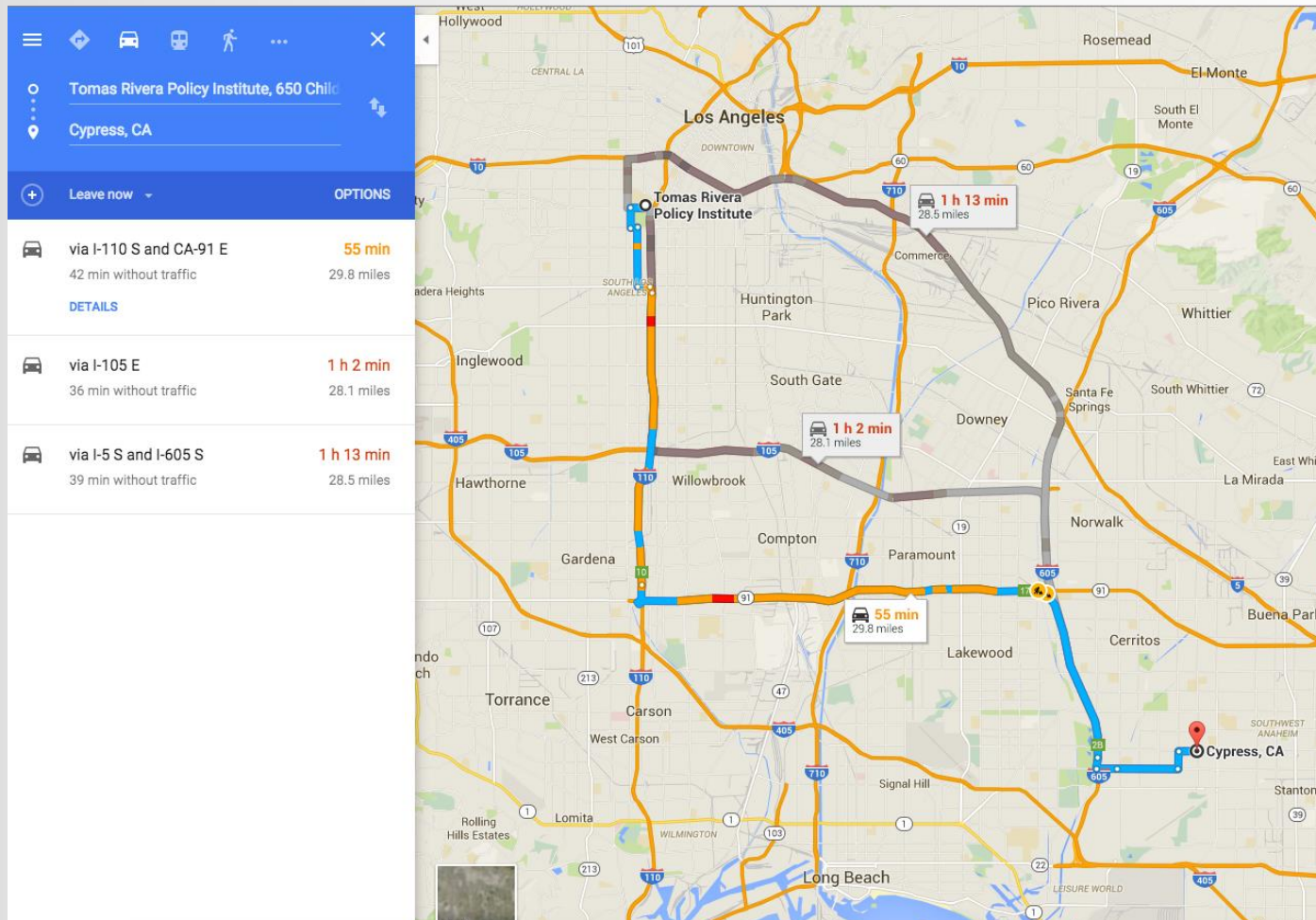
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The thing we don't like but have to face everyday – Road Traffic!



But we can make smarter turn with real time traffic!



GARMIN

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Google Maps showing optimized route from USC to Orange County

How exactly does Google Maps/Garmin/TomTom know how clogged the highway is on your way out to home or office?

The traffic information comes from a variety of sources:

- Commercial traffic data providers (INRIX, Tele Atlas, HERE, ..)
- Departments of Transportation
- State agency – Caltrans

Raw data is collected from:

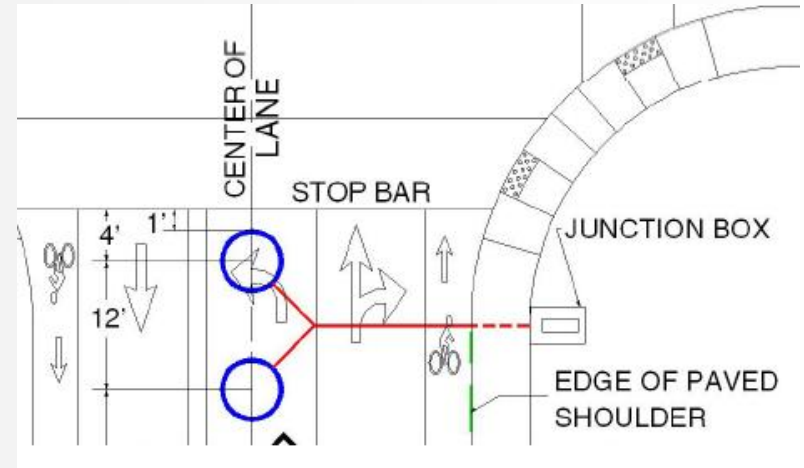
- Mobile users (Google Maps)
- **Road sensors**
- Traffic cameras, and even through aircraft

This information is compiled and delivered via radio frequency (FM/HD Radio™ or satellite) to your navigation system.

Road Sensors: Inductive Loop



Physical Representation

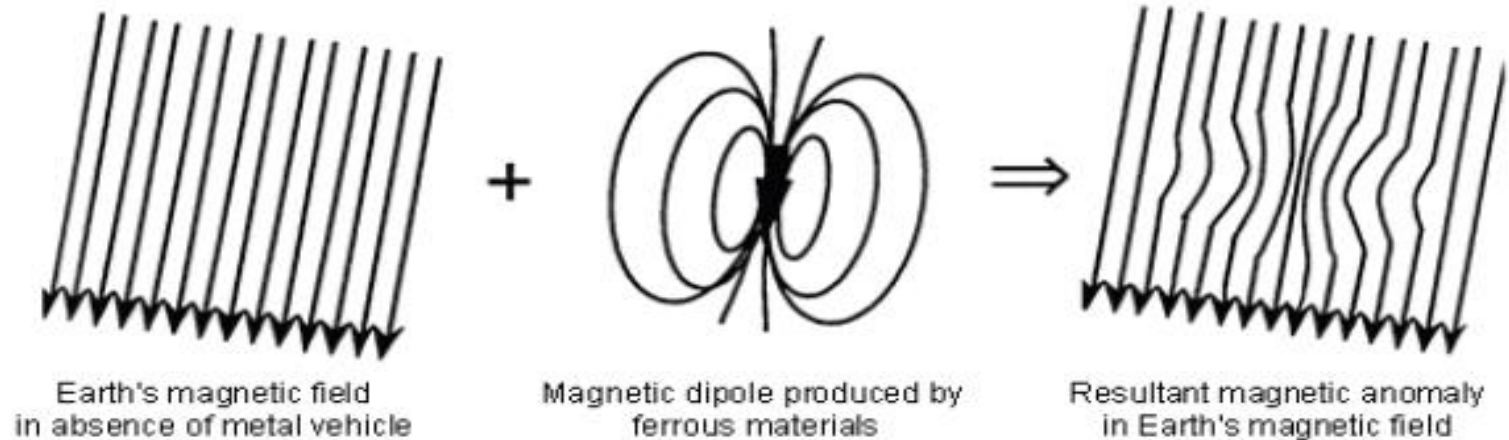


Source: US DoT Federal Highway Administration

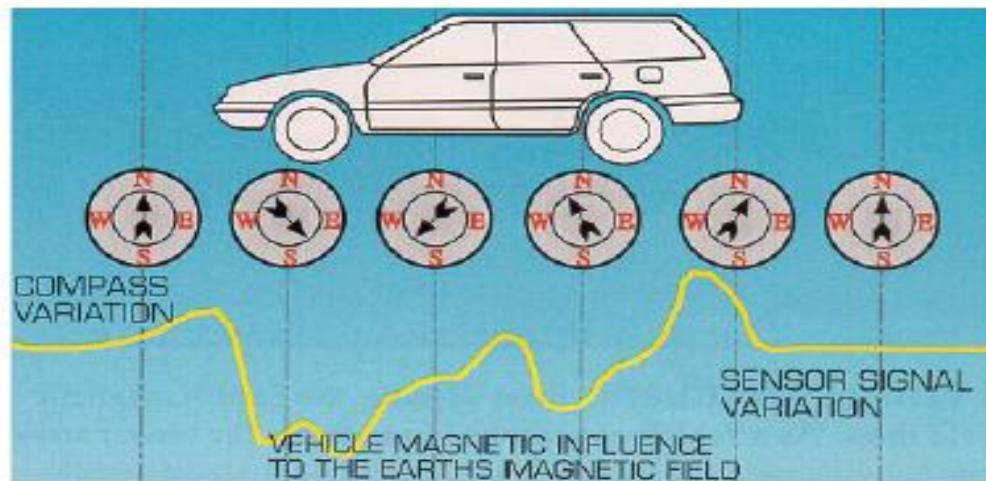
Loop Detector Schematic

- Existing traffic/vehicle detection is determined with “Inductive Loop” technologies
- These loops generate a magnetic field that operates at frequencies typically less than 1kHz
- Large rectangular loops (4' x 8', 6' x 8', 6' x 12') are used to detect larger vehicles
- Small size loops (i.e. 2' x 5', 3' x 6', 6' x 6') are used to detect smaller vehicles, such as motorcycles and automobiles

Road Sensors: Inductive Loop



(a) Magnetic anomaly induced in the Earth's magnetic field by a magnetic dipole.



(b) Perturbation of Earth's magnetic field by a ferrous metal vehicle

Inductive Loop Pros & Cons

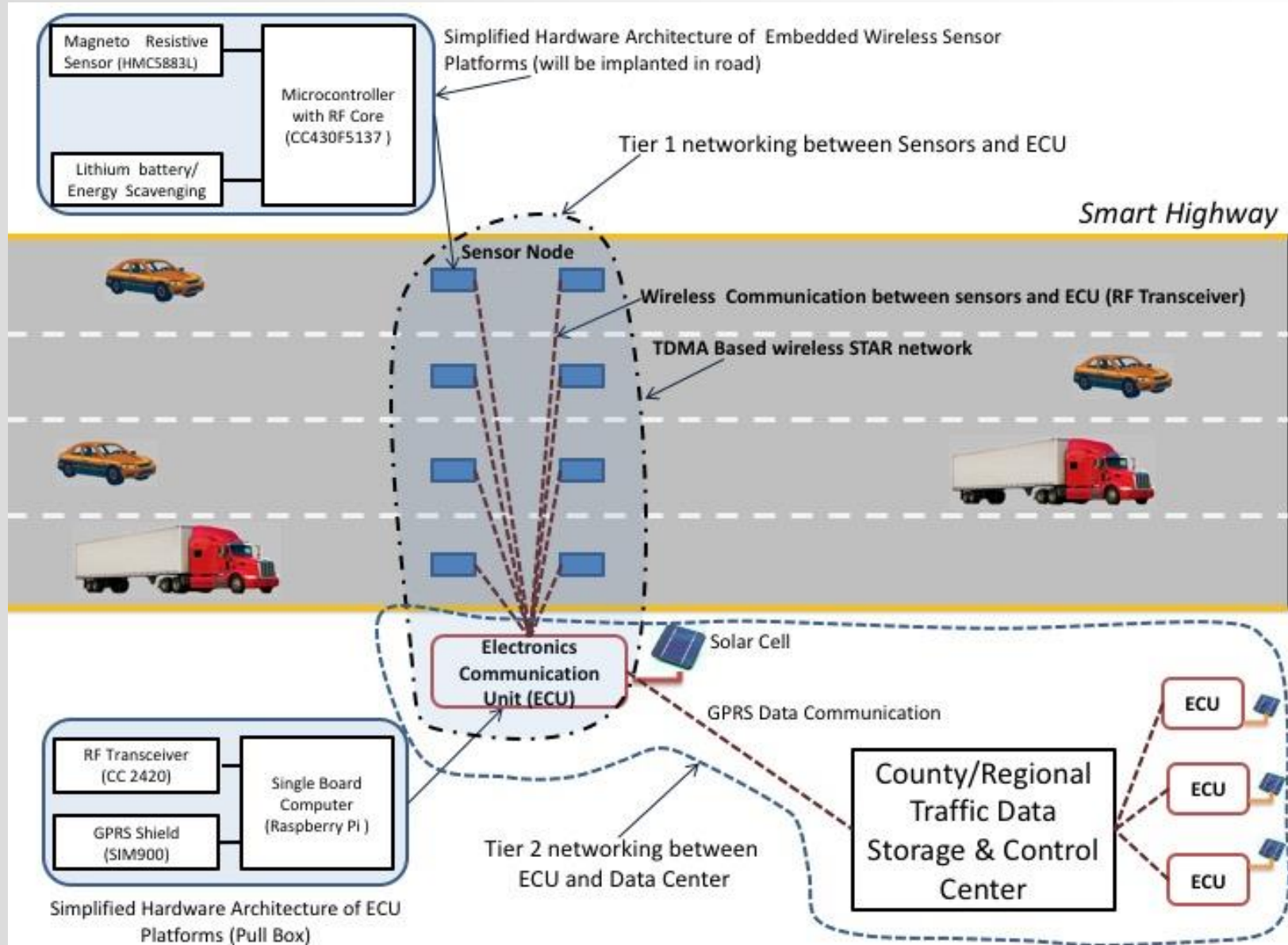
Advantages

- Detects ferrous objects precisely
- Typically immune from environmental effects such as weather, temperature, a terrain variations

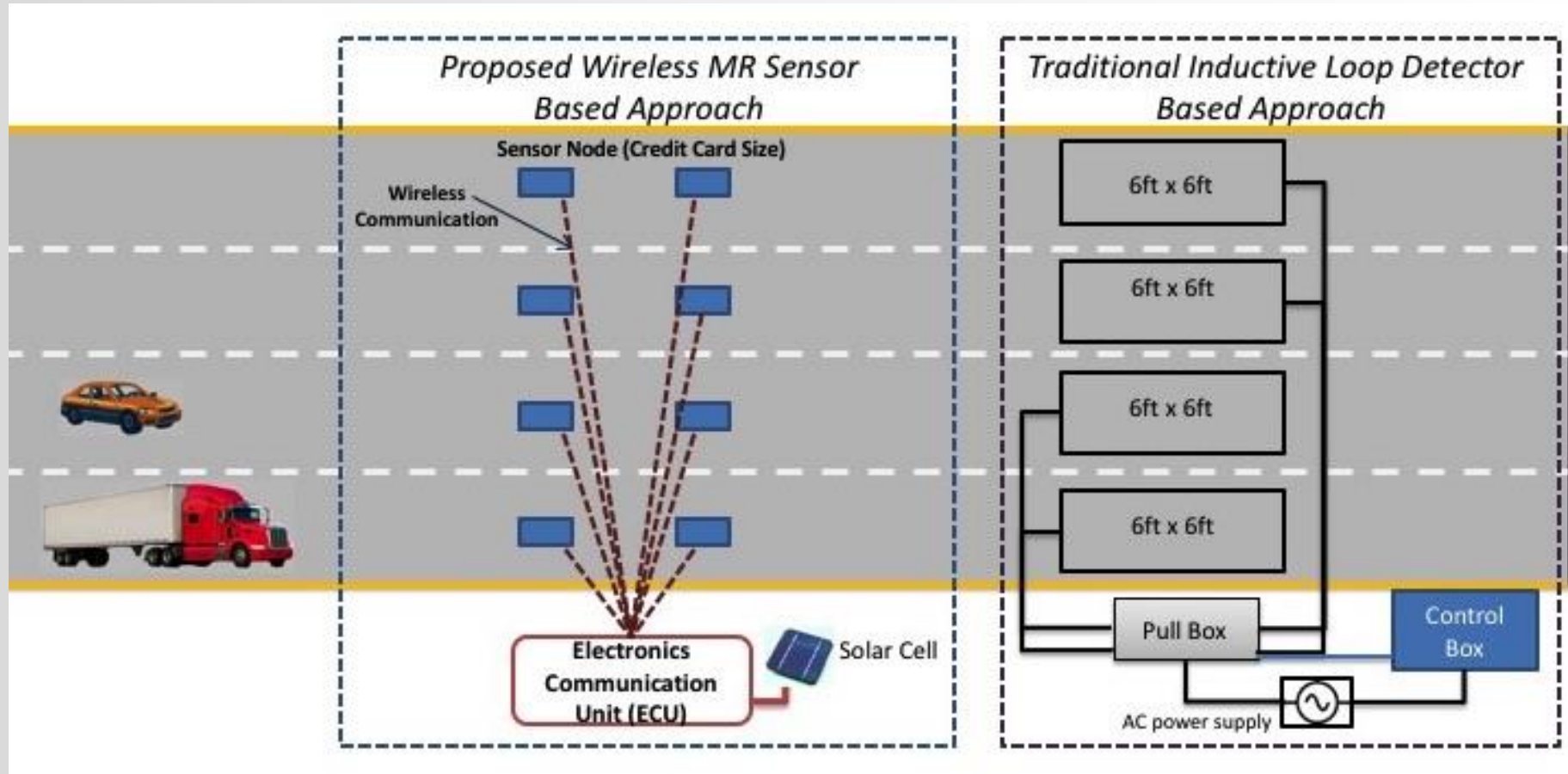
Disadvantages

- Expensive to install and maintain (\$\$\$)
- Relatively significant power usage for the generation of the magnetic field.
- Large area usage (greater than 10 sq.ft.)

Proposed Solution For Smart Road



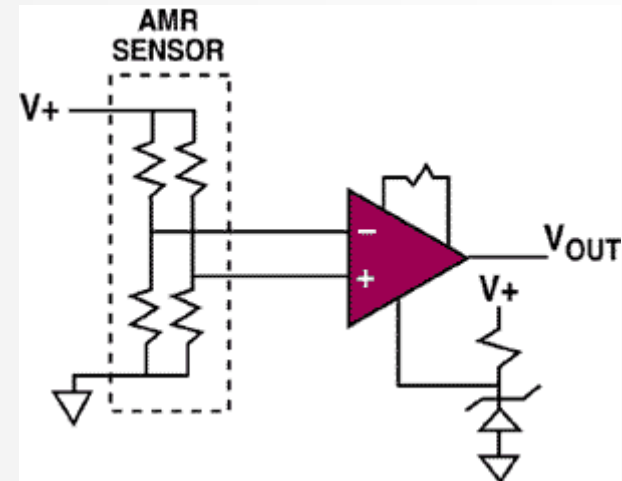
Proposed VS Traditional Inductive Loop Based System



Anisotropic Magnetoresistive Sensors (AMR) IC Sensor

AMR Sensor IC (Honeywell HMC5883L 3-axis magnetometer- 3mm in size)

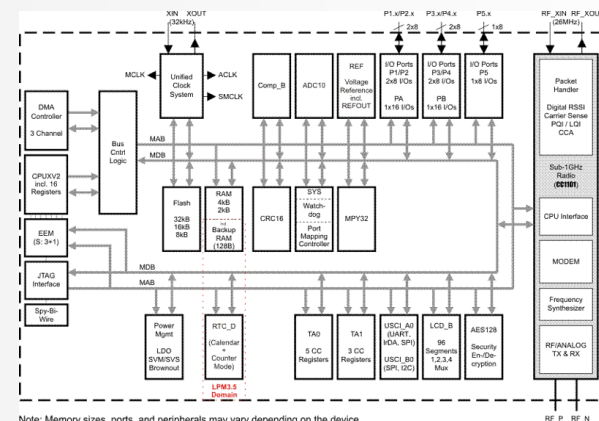
- Wheatstone bridge variable resistor network that changes resistance w.r.t. changes to the magnetic field
- Provides the same advantages to inductive loop technologies without the power and area disadvantages
- Power consumption extremely low (~200uA at lower sampling rates)



Source: Honeywell

Microcontroller (CC430F5137)

- Low power modes (LPM) for sleep between computational and communication operations
- Single package μ proc and RF core for low area wireless transmissions



Note: Memory sizes, ports, and peripherals may vary depending on the device.

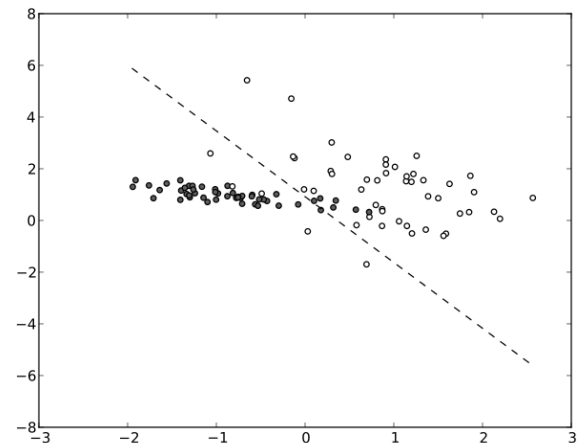
Source: Texas Instruments

Machine Learning Based Vehicle Classification

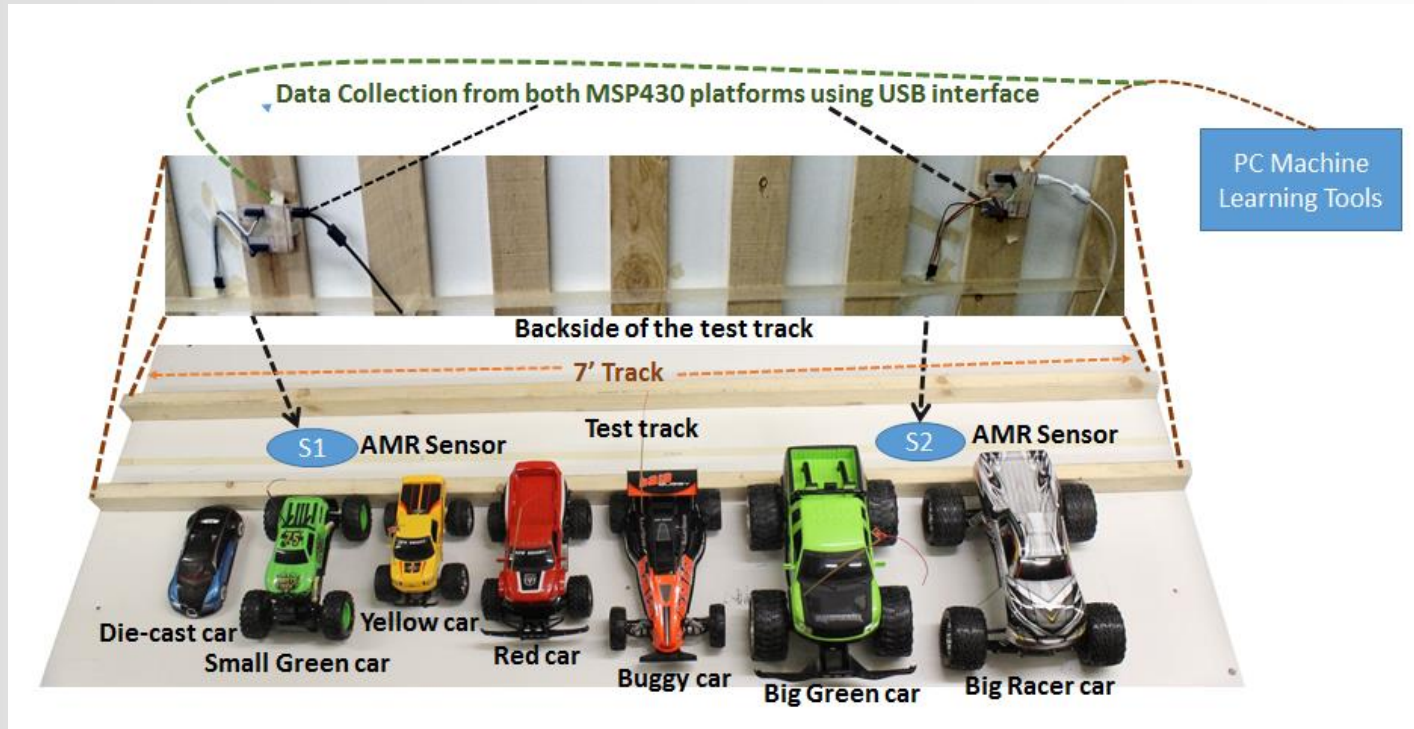
- Useful when the sets of data is large enough that human observations for extracting patterns in data become impractical.
- Typically associated with the field of data mining
- Pattern recognition based on a set of rules

General Idea:

- Collect vehicle data crossing the AMR sensor
- Utilize ML tools to generate a model for classification



Our Lab Testbed Setup



- 7 different RC Vehicles with a variety of similar and different attributes
- 7 ft straight track for each vehicle to make passes
- 2 sensors roughly 4' apart to take gather readings and classify

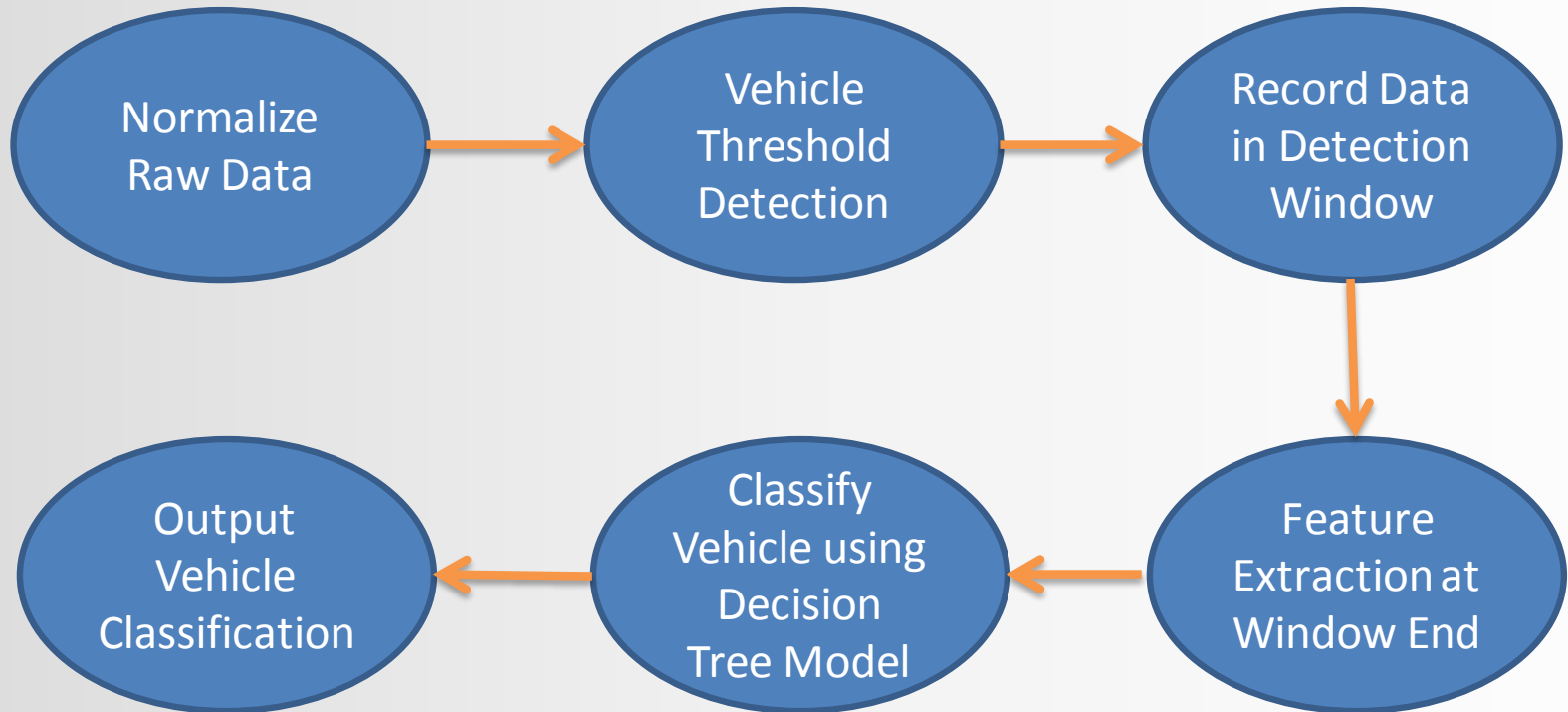
Data Collection for supervised machine learning

- We collected data for each of the 7 vehicles across 350 runs over 2 sensors
- Total : 700 samples, 100/class for training

Why a decision-tree based algorithm?

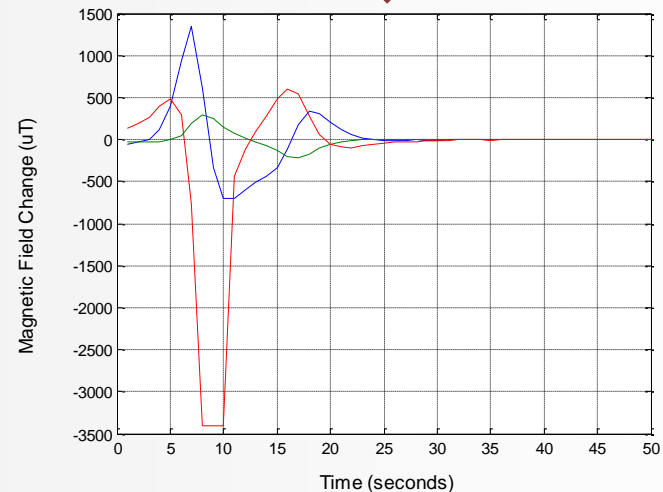
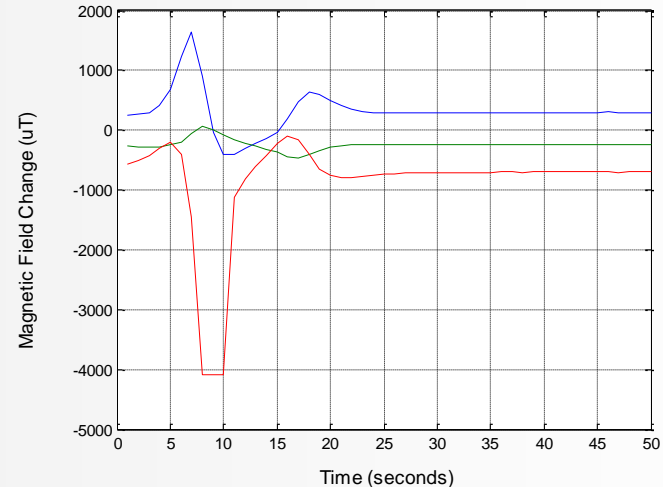
- Simple and computationally efficient tree
- Simplicity of implementation in software

Implementation Flowchart



Adaptive Baseline

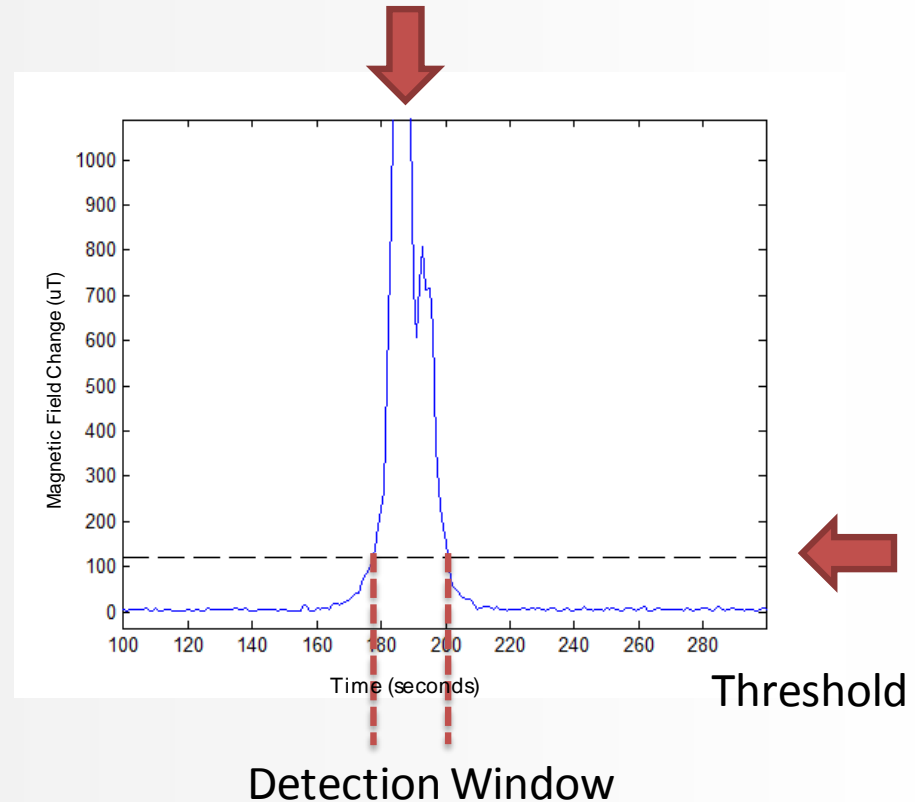
- Zeroing the background environmental magnetic field by offset
- Allows for the reuse of the same vehicle detection and classification algorithm in multiple environments
- Noise removal can be implemented at this stage



Threshold Detection

- Once a vehicle passes the threshold the detection flag triggers and a certain number of samples are recorded for processing

Magnitude with vehicle overhead



Features Collected from Vehicles

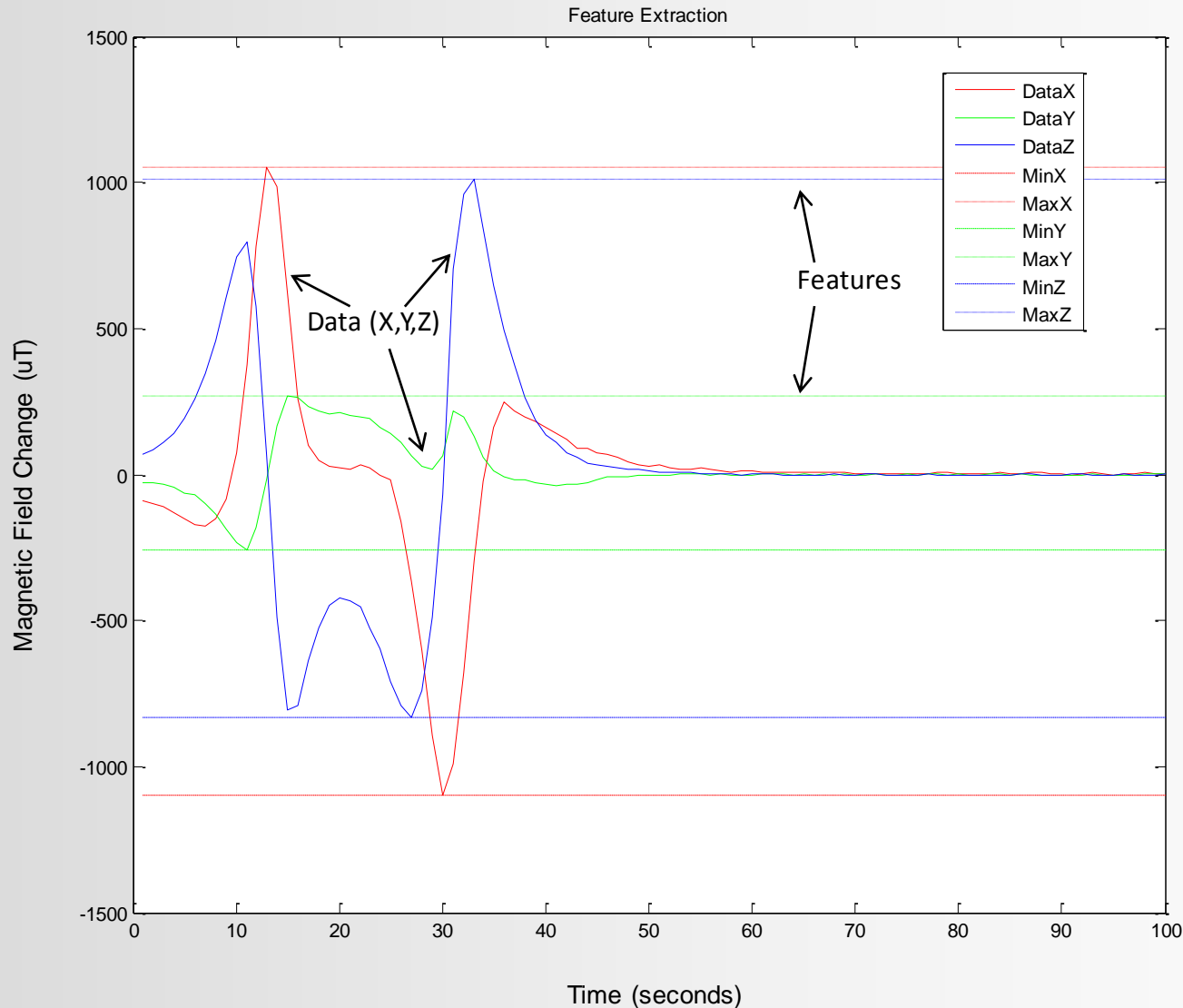
Interesting Features:

- **Min:** minimum value of an axis during the detection window
- **Max:** maximum value of an axis in the window
- **Mean:** average of all axis values in the window
- **Range:** Maximum – Minimum

Using a 3-axis sensor this results in 12 unique features

These Features are very simple to calculate and compute

Example Plot and Feature Extraction



MinX=-1097

MinY=-256

MinZ=-834

MaxX=1054

MaxY=267

MaxZ=1011

MeanX=4.01

MeanY=17.13

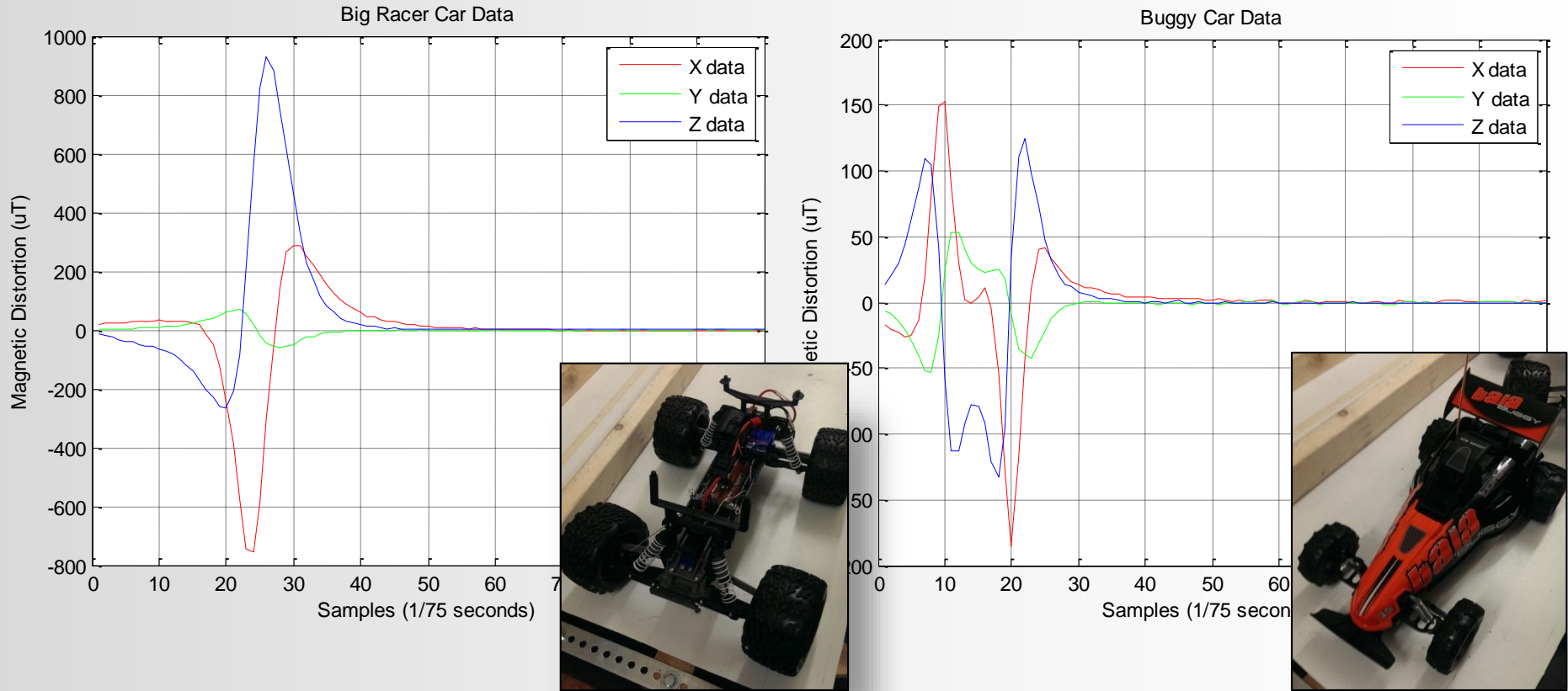
MeanZ=7.48

RangeX=2151

RangeY=523

RangeZ=1845

Example Car Data



Similar Sizes but Different Signatures!

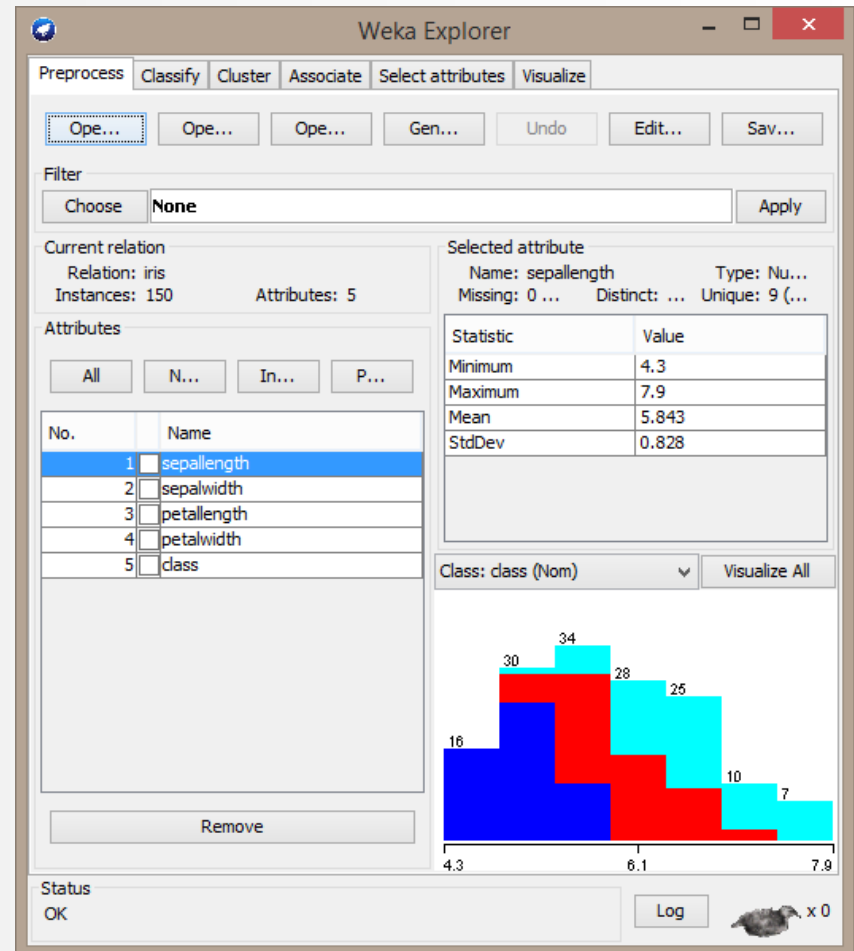
Machine Learning: decision tree learning (J48)

J48 is the open source Java implementation of C4.5/ID3 developed by John Quinlan

Inputs: multiple features corresponding to a single classifier

Note: higher # samples per classifier results in a more accurate output tree

Output: a decision tree with the highest classification rate given the features



WEKA output

J48 pruned tree

4 Features Selected

```
range_z <= 2187
|  max_x <= 419.4: 1 (100.0)
|  max_x > 419.4
|  |  max_x <= 791.6
|  |  |  max_x <= 757.8: 5 (94.0)
|  |  |  max_x > 757.8
|  |  |  |  min_y <= -118.2: 2 (4.0)
|  |  |  |  min_y > -118.2: 5 (6.0)
|  |  |  max_x > 791.6: 2 (96.0)
range_z > 2187
|  min_y <= -1103.8
|  |  range_z <= 3725: 6 (60.0)
|  |  range_z > 3725
|  |  |  mean_z <= -168.58: 4 (101.0/1.0)
|  |  |  mean_z > -168.58: 6 (36.0)
|  min_y > -1103.8
|  |  mean_z <= -116.47
|  |  |  range_z <= 3796: 6 (3.0)
|  |  |  range_z > 3796: 7 (100.0)
|  |  mean_z > -116.47: 3 (100.0)
```

Number of Leaves : 11

Size of the tree : 21

Time taken to build model: 0.03 seconds



Fast!

=== Stratified cross-validation ===

=== Summary ===

```
Correctly Classified Instances      692
Incorrectly Classified Instances     8
Kappa statistic                     0.9867
Mean absolute error                 0.0037
Root mean squared error             0.0572
Relative absolute error             1.4927 %
Root relative squared error         16.3407 %
Total Number of Instances          700
```

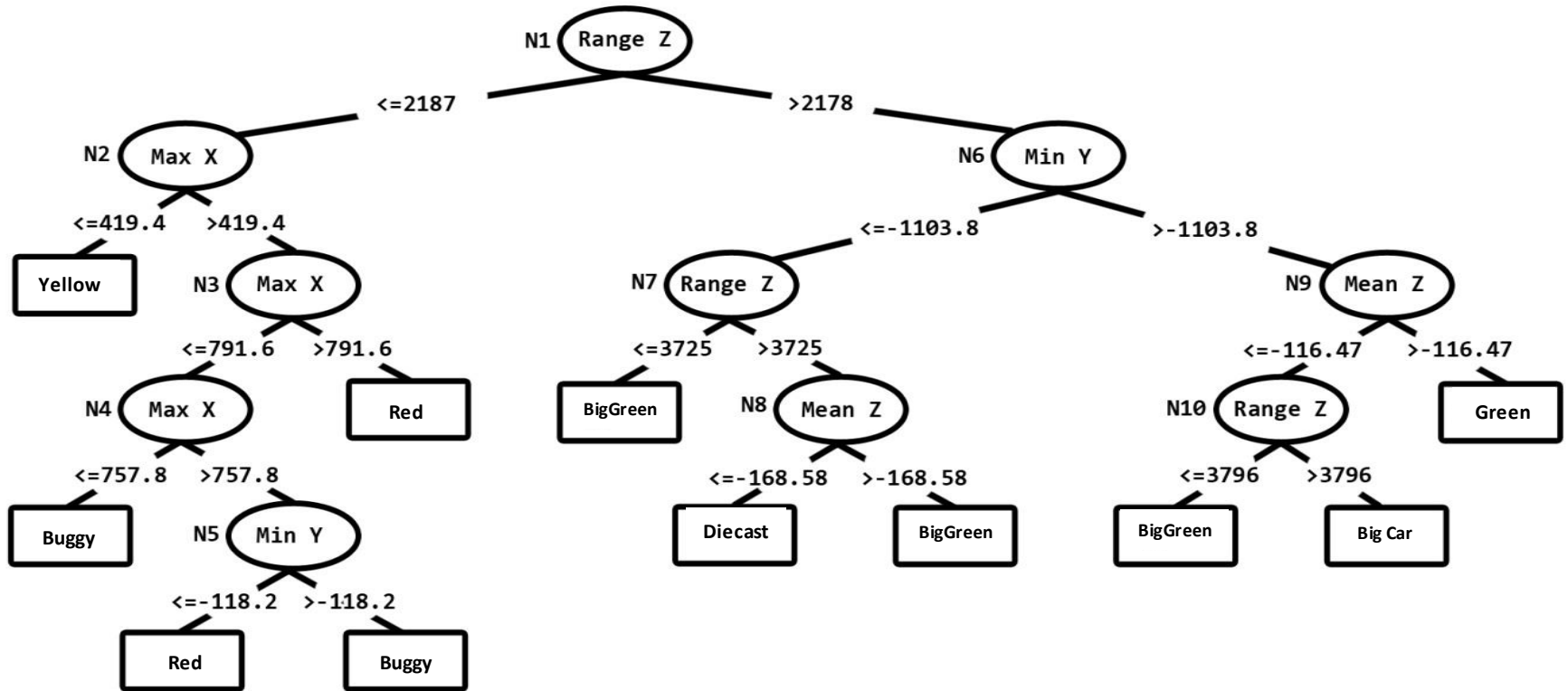
98.8571 %
1.1429 %

← Accuracy Rate

=== Confusion Matrix ===

	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	<-- classified as
100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	a = 1
0	99	0	0	1	0	0	0	b = 2
0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	c = 3
0	0	0	97	0	3	0	0	d = 4
0	1	1	0	98	0	0	0	e = 5
0	0	0	1	0	99	0	0	f = 6
0	0	1	0	0	0	99	0	g = 7

Graphical Tree



Node Num.	Information Gain Attribute				Best Attribute
	Min Y	Max X	Mean Z	Range Z	
1	0.9527	0.8002	0.9031	0.9868	Range Z
2	0.3339	0.9707	0.3978	0.3846	Max X
3	0.3060	0.8411	0.2155	0.3068	Max X
4	0	0.1735	0	0.0379	Max X
5	0.7108	0	0.7108	0.0570	Min Y
6	0.9317	0.1864	0.7574	0.4976	Min Y
7	0.2047	0.1601	0.3717	0.4249	Range Z
8	0.1386	0.4467	0.8798	0.0084	Mean Z
9	0.5724	0.3189	0.9625	0.8676	Mean Z
10	0	0	0.0066	0.6627	Range Z

Brute Force Search for Best Results

- The output tree doesn't always generate the best results given a large number of features
- Due to fast processing time to generate the output tree, we can easily calculate all combinations (n choose k)

$$\binom{n}{k} \text{ or } {}_n C_k$$

- We use $n=2,3,4$ where $k=12$

Feature Performance

2 features (66 combinations):

Comb#	Classification%	Features
64	94%	minx maxx
58	93%	minx rangex
30	93%	maxx rangey
60	91%	minx meany

3 features (220 combinations):

Comb#	Classification%	Features
219	98%	minx miny maxx
200	98%	minx maxx maxxz
194	97.8571%	minx maxx rangez
57	97.8571%	maxx rangey rangez
149	97.7143%	miny maxx rangez

4 features (495 combinations):

Comb#	Classification%	Features
479	98.8571%	minx miny maxx rangez
270	98.8571%	miny maxx meanz rangez
390	98.7143%	minx maxx meanz rangez
78	98.7143%	maxx meany meanz rangez

Best Results Simulated vs. Testbed

Simulated Results

Cross-Validation Percentages	
Number of Features (Attributes)	Accuracy
Three Features (maxx, rangey, rangez)	97.86%
Three Features (miny, maxx, rangez)	97.71%
Four Features (minx, miny, maxx, rangez)	98.86%
Four Features (miny, maxx, meanz, rangez)	98.86%

Actual Results:

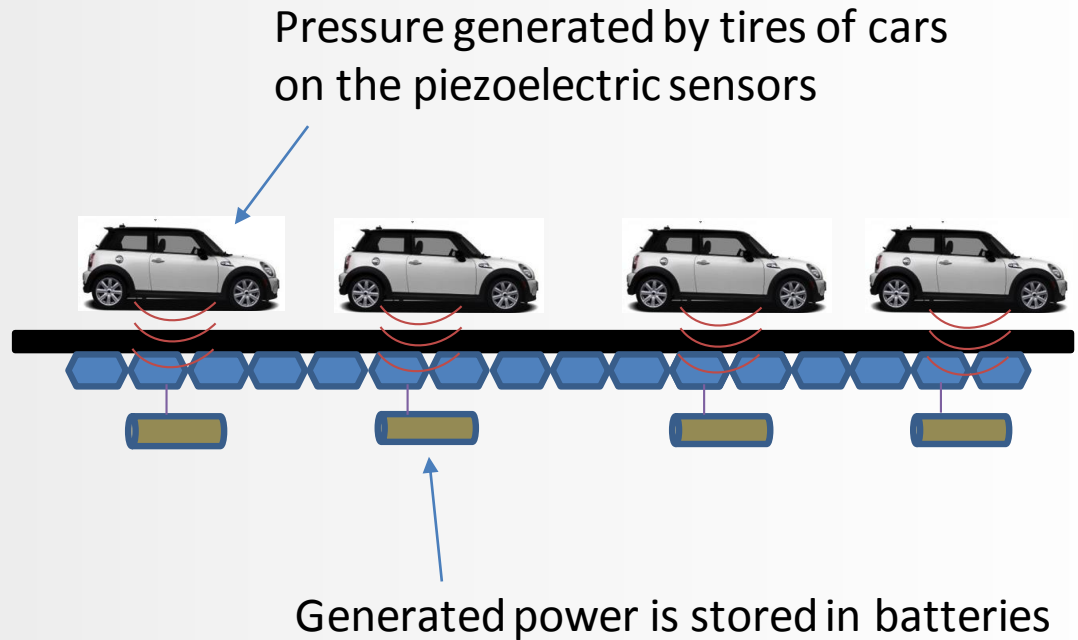
Real world Classification Percentages	
Number of Features (Attributes)	Real-world
Three Features (maxx, rangey, rangez)	98.57%
Three Features (miny, maxx, rangez)	97.38%
Four Features (minx, miny, maxx, rangez)	90.24%
Four Features (miny, maxx, meanz, rangez)	99.05%

Simulated results match real world testing values very closely.

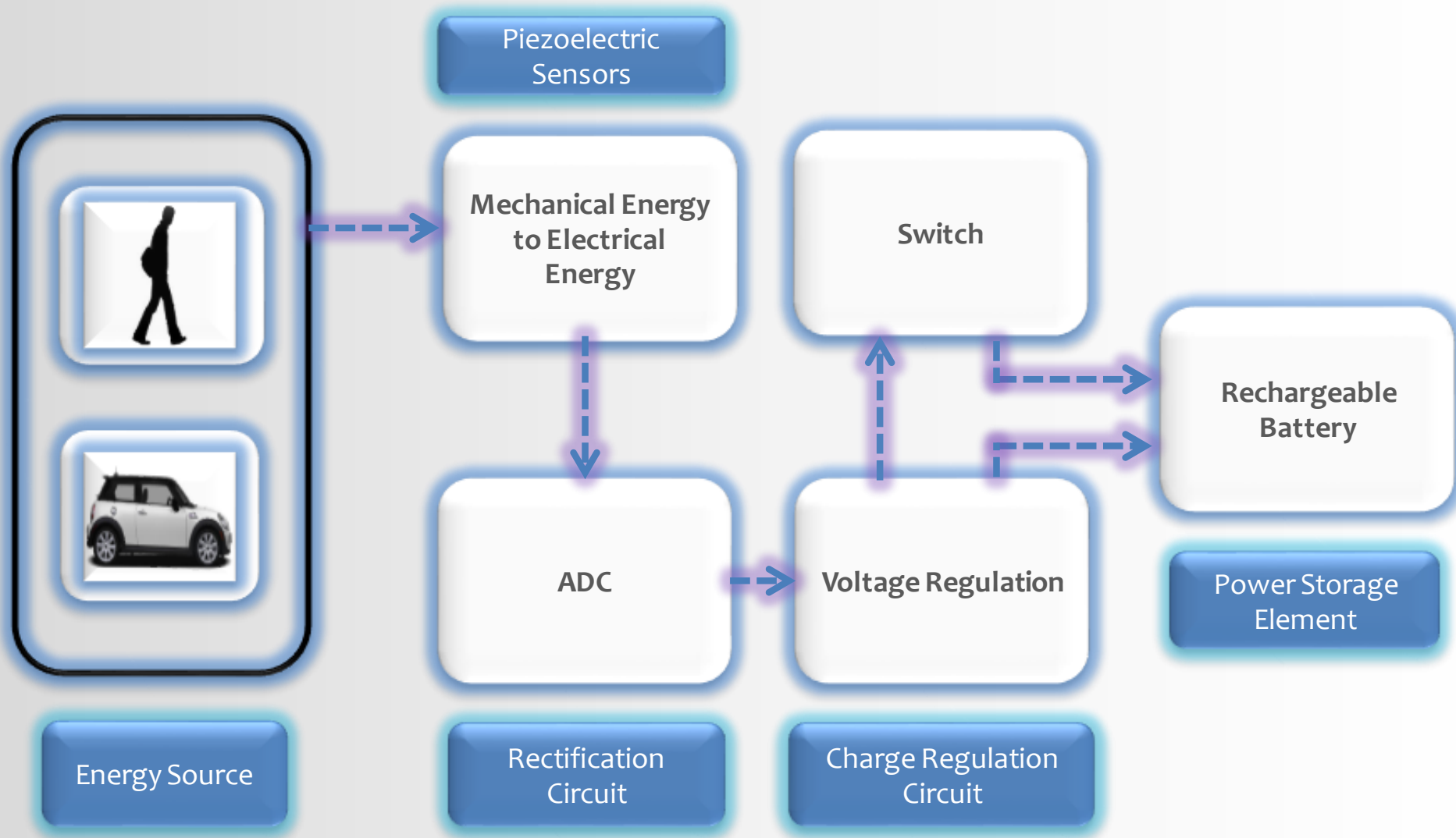
Note: minx results are lower due to clipping

Energy Scavenging Using Piezoelectric Sensors

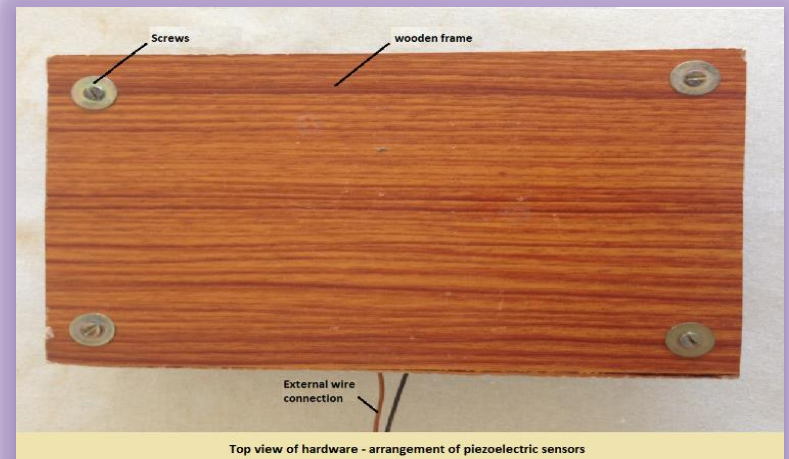
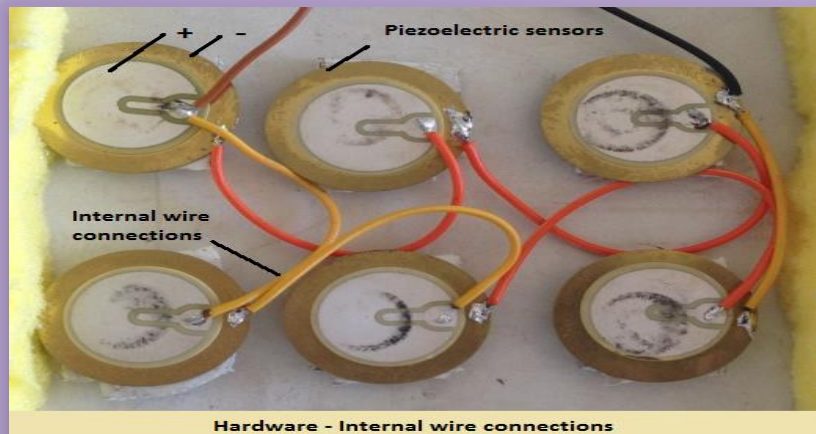
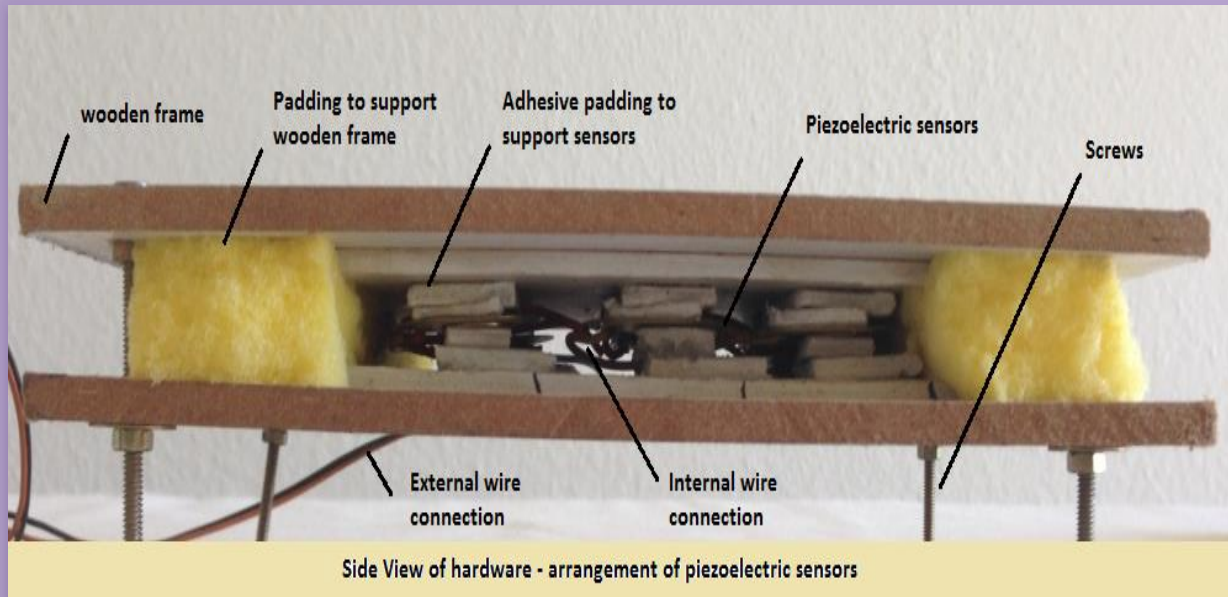
- Mechanical to Electrical energy conversion
- Proper implementation can help in continuous operation of wireless sensors
- Almost 70% of the overall efficiency of the energy scavenging system depends on Piezoelectric sensors
- Applications include consumer electronics, automotive, health, WSN, etc.



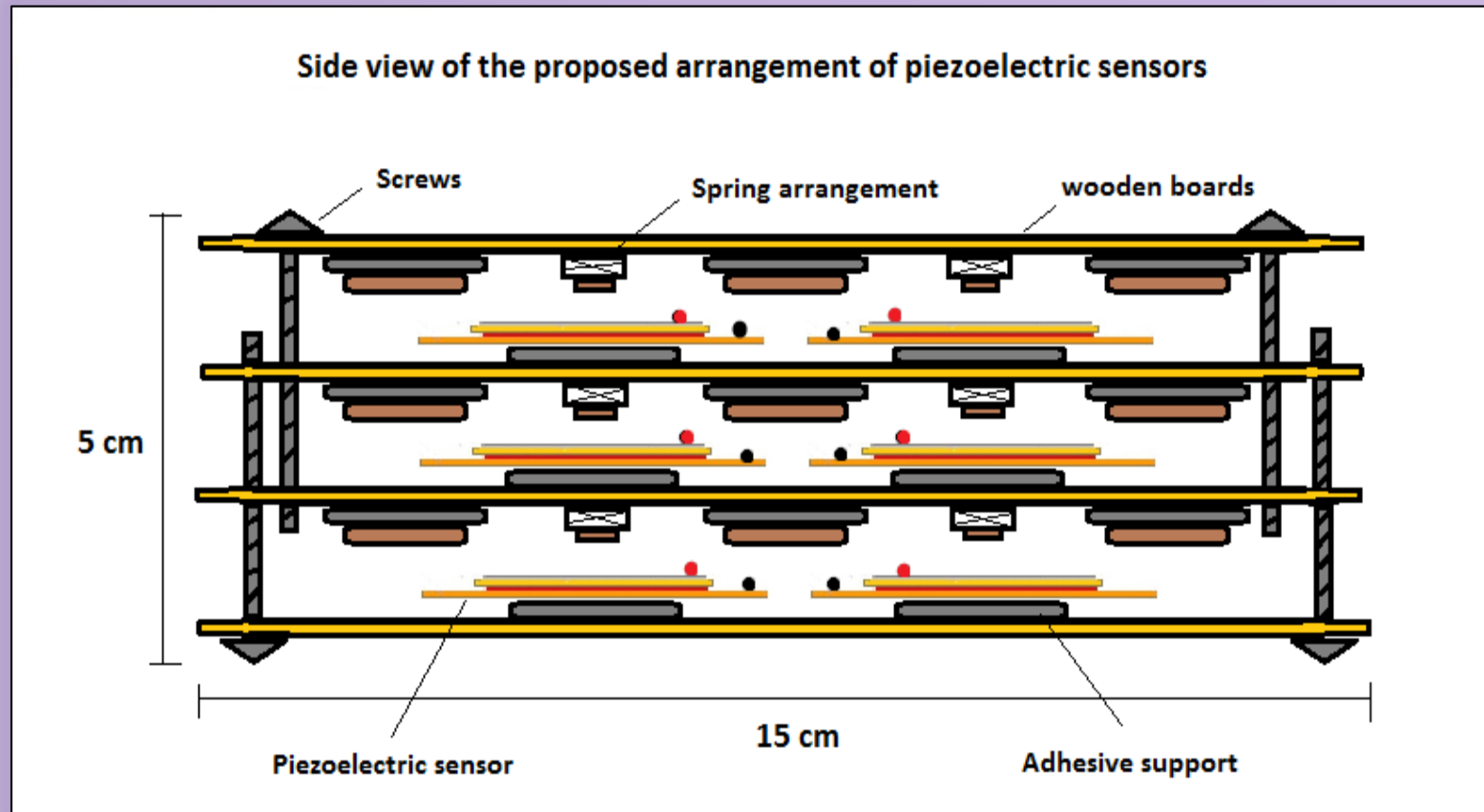
Energy Scavenging System



Lab Prototype of Energy Scavenging System



Advanced Energy Scavenging System

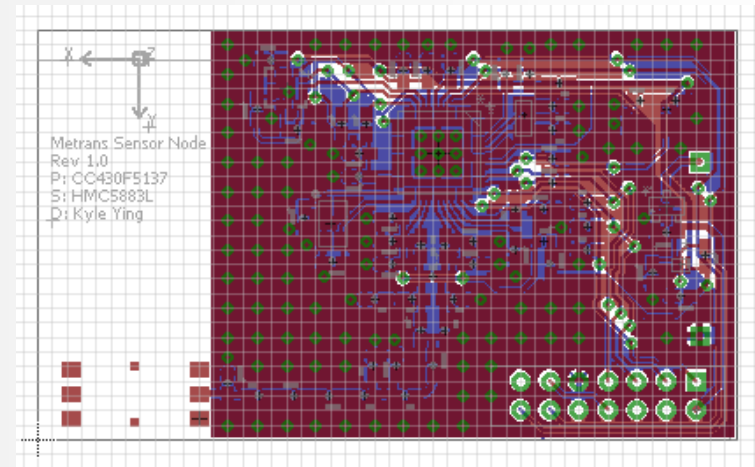
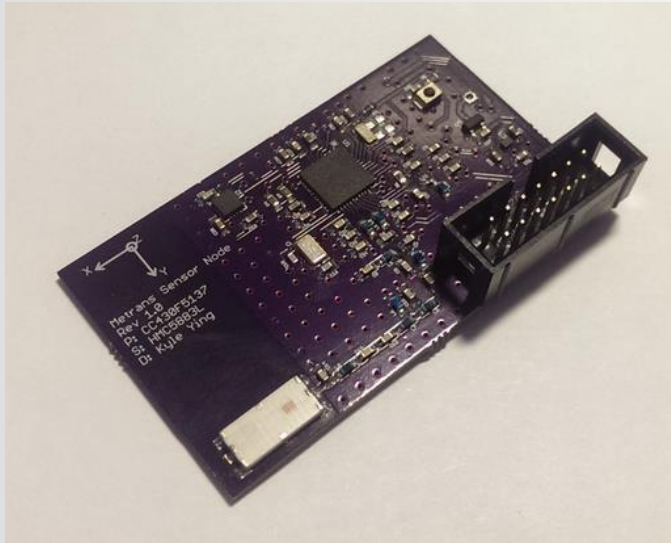


- 3 layers instead of 1 layer/ Smaller size and less implementation cost
- Increase probability of the sensors being pressed in every tap
- Increase number of sensors being pressed in a single tap

Energy Scavenging System

- 1 AA rechargeable battery can be charged in 10 -12 hours with vehicles and pedestrians passing over the sensors in every 5 seconds using the designed hardware
- The sensors placed on crosswalks can increase the average number of taps
- Charging rate would be better if the efficiency and the number of sensors used are increased

Designed Smart Traffic Sensing Node



- Size: 2 ½" x 1 ½" x ¾" (with AA battery pack)
- Dimensions will change depending on the battery pack used in future implementations

Final Remarks

The system described in this presentation can replace current inductive loop technologies with:

- Maintain traffic/vehicle detection capabilities
- Additional features such as vehicle classification
- Lower power consumption
- Lower physical area utilization

In addition, many classifiers can be used at high accuracy rates compared to other methods utilizing solely novel features.

Related Publications

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- V. Sharma, A. Parhad, M. Mozumdar, “Energy Scavenging Using Piezoelectric Sensors to Power in Pavement Intelligence Vehicle Detection Systems”, METRANS International Urban Freight Conference , Long Beach, 2015

Questions?